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OSLO FOR TOM TALERICO, USDEL TO INMARSAT WG

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SUBJ: INMARSAT

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1. EMBOFF SPOKE WITH PETER BULL, FCO, ABOUT EUROPEAN INMARSAT MEETING. HE SAID THAT SINCE U.S. PAPER NOT AVAILABLE IN TIME FOR MEETING, EUROPEANS HAD SPENT MOST OF THEIR TIME DISCUSSING PAPERS, SUBMITTED BY SEVERAL COUNTRIES, WHICH RELATED TO EXISTING DRAFT TEXT AND TRYING TO HARMONIZE THEIR POSITIONS WITH RESPECT TO THAT TEXT. EUROPEANS, HE SAID, HAD NOT REALIZED THAT U.S. HAD IN MIND SUBMITTING EXTENSIVE AND DETAILED REVISION OF EXISTING TEXT. WE ASSUME THAT TO THAT EXTENT, DUTCH (AND PERHAPS OTHER EUROPEANS) SURPRISE MAY BE JUSTIFIED.

2. U.S. DRAFTS DID NOT REACH EMBASSY UNTIL AFTERNOON
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SEPT. 16 AND WERE PASSED TO FCO SAME DAY. BULL SAID

PRELIMINARY BRITISH REACTION UPON FIRST SEEING NEW U.S.
DRAFT WAS: (A) IS NEW DRAFT ANOTHER ATTEMPT BY U.S.
TO FURTHER DELAY PROGRESS ON INMARSAT; (B) WILL ITS
CONTENTS UPSET NEGOTIATING PACKAGE BROADLY AGREED AMONG
WESTERN COUNTRIES AND JAPAN AT LAST SESSION OF INMARSAT
CONFERENCE; AND (C) WHAT IS LIKELY SOVIET REACTION TO
ITS CONTENTS. BULL SAID UKG PRESENTLY STUDYING U.S.
DRAFT BUT HAS NOT YET HAD TIME TO FORM OPINION AS TO ITS
CONTENTS. HE SAID HE HAD QUICKLY READ THROUGH DRAFT AND
HAD NOT BEEN SURPRISED BY CHANGES IT CONTAINED BUT HE
COULD NOT GIVE US UKG REACTION UNTIL FCO LAWYERS AND
OTHER AGENCIES HAD SUBMITTED COMMENTS. EUROPEANS WILL
MEET IN LONDON OCTOBER 15 TO DISCUSS U.S. DRAFT.
RICHARDSON

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